



Marine Safety Information Bulletin 17-08 July 25, 2008

Swing Bridge Closure Highway 82 Sabine Lake Causeway Sabine Pass, Texas

UPDATE Bridge Opening Delayed until o/a August 9, 2008

The Texas Department of Transportation (TxDOT) has reported that the scheduled July 26, 2008, resumption of normal operations at the Highway 82 swing bridge across the southern end of Sabine Lake has been delayed. Repair crews are working to complete the work as quickly as possible, but the projected new schedule for resumption of normal operations at the bridge is now August 9, 2008.

During this period, maximum vertical clearance at the bridge in the closed position is 9 feet above mean high water.

This closure is necessary for crews to reverse the direction of the existing swing span to facilitate construction of a new, replacement swing span bridge adjacent to the existing structure.

During the extended period of this closure, mariners may wish to consider using alternate routes.

This notice will be posted on the HOMEPORT website http://homeport.uscg.mil. If you have any questions or concerns, please call Mr. Philip Johnson at 504-671-2128, MSU Port Arthur at (409) 723-6500, or Mr. Scott Ayres with TxDOT at 409-722-8377.

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